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### PART-IIA

#### GOVERNMENT OF MEGHALAYA

#### NOTIFICATIONS

The 17<sup>th</sup> December, 2024.

**No.Health. 19/2024/34.** - In exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to Article 309 of the Constitution of India, the Governor of Meghalaya is pleased to make the following Rules regulating the recruitment and the conditions of Service of persons appointed to the Meghalaya Drugs Control Service of Meghalaya.

1. **Short Title and Commencement:-**

- (1) These Rules may be called "The Meghalaya Drugs Control Services Rules, 2024".
- (2) They shall come into force from the date of this notification.

2. **Definitions:-** In these Rules unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context-

- (a) "Appointing Authority" means (1) the Governor of Meghalaya.
- (b) "Board" means the Meghalaya Medical Services Recruitment Board (MMSRB).
- (c) "Commission" means the Meghalaya Public Service Commission (MPSC).
- (d) "Committee" means the Departmental Promotion Committee constituted under Rule 8.
- (e) "Government" means the Government of Meghalaya.
- (f) "Governor" means the Governor of Meghalaya.
- (g) "Member of the Service" means a member of the Meghalaya Drugs Control Services.
- (h) "Service" means the Meghalaya Drugs Control Service.
- (i) "State" means the State of Meghalaya.
- (j) "Schedule" means the Schedule appended to these Rules.
- (k) "Year" means the Calendar Year.

3. **Constitution of the Services:-** There shall be constituted a Service to be known as the Meghalaya Drugs Control Service consisting of the following person, namely:-

- (1) Persons appointed to different posts in the Service before the commencement of these Rules.

- (2) Persons appointed to different posts in the Service in accordance with the provisions of these Rules.
4. **Composition of the Service:-** (1) The Service shall consist of the following grades and posts (By Upgradation *vide* Letter No. Health. 171/2021/81, dated 19<sup>th</sup> December, 2022).
- |      |              |   |                             |
|------|--------------|---|-----------------------------|
| i)   | Senior Grade | - | Deputy Drugs Controller,    |
| ii)  | Grade I      | - | Assistant Drugs Controller, |
| iii) | Grade II     | - | Senior Inspector of Drugs.  |
| iv)  | Grade III    | - | Inspector of Drugs.         |
- (2) Each of the categories of posts in clauses (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv) of sub-rule (1) shall form an independent cadre. Members of the lower cadre shall have no claim for appointment to any of the higher cadre except in accordance with the provisions made in these Rules.
5. **Status:-** The status of members of the Service holding posts in Senior Grade, Grade I, Grade II and Grade III shall be Gazetted.
6. **Strength of the Service:-** (1) The strength and composition of the Service shall be as such as may be determined by the Governor from time to time.
- (2) At the commencement of these Rules, the strength of the Service and posts therein shall be as shown in Schedule -I.
7. **Method of Recruitment:-** (1) Appointment to any post in the Senior Grade shall be made by promotion from the Select List approved under sub-rule (4) of Rule -9 from amongst the members of the service possessing requisite qualification and experience and holding the next lower post i.e. Assistant Drugs Controller (Grade I) who have rendered not less than three (3) years of continuous service in that post as specified in Schedule II.
- Provided that, if no suitable candidates who have rendered not less than three (3) years of continuous service in Grade I are available for filling up the vacancy in the Senior Grade, the vacancy shall be filled up by promotion from amongst the members of Grade I who have rendered not less than fourteen (14) years of combined continuous service in Grade I, Grade II and Grade III.
- (2) Appointment to any post in Grade I shall be made by promotion from the Select List approved under sub-rule (4) of Rule -9 from amongst the members of the service possessing requisite qualification and experience and holding the next lower post i.e. Senior Inspector of Drugs (Grade II) who have rendered not less than three (3) years of continuous service in that post as specified in Schedule II.
- Provided that, if no suitable candidates who have rendered not less than three (3) years of continuous service in Grade II are available for filling up the vacancy in Grade I, the vacancy shall be filled up by promotion from amongst the members of Grade II who have rendered not less than eleven (11) years of combined continuous service in Grade II and Grade III.
- (3) Appointment to any post in the Grade II shall be made by promotion from the Select List approved under sub-rule (4) of Rule -9 from amongst the members of the service possessing requisite qualification and experience and holding the next lower post i.e. Inspector of Drugs (Grade III) who have rendered not less than five (5) years of continuous service in that post as specified in Schedule II.

- (4) Appointment to the posts in Grade III:-Appointment to the posts in Grade III shall be made by direct recruitment on the result of the competitive examination conducted by the Board/ Commission and should have the basic qualification as per Schedule III.

8. **Departmental Promotion Committee:-** For the purpose of appointment by promotion under Rule 7 to the post of Senior Grade (Deputy Drugs Controller), Grade I (Assistant Drugs Controller), Grade II (Senior Drugs Inspector), and Grade- III (Inspector of Drugs), there shall be a Departmental Promotion Committee consisting of the following members:

- |  |   |                  |
|--|---|------------------|
| I. Chief Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya   | - | Chairman         |
| II. Principal Secretary/Commissioner & Secretary/Secretary, Health & Family Welfare Department | - | Member Secretary |
| III. Principal Secretary/Commissioner & Secretary/Secretary, Personnel & A. R. Department.     | - | Member           |
| IV. Principal Secretary/Commissioner & Secretary/Secretary, Finance Department.                | - | Member           |
| V. Director of Health Services (MI)  | - | Member           |

The Committee may invite any other person to attend its meetings if and when considered necessary.

9. **Procedure for preparing the Select Lists:-** (1) At the beginning of each year, the Appointing Authority shall refer to the Committee, the approximate number of vacancies likely to occur in each grade of the Service during the year. To enable the Committee to prepare the Lists for promotion to those grades, the Appointing Authority shall furnish the Committee with the following documents, namely:-

- (i) A List of the members of the Service drawn up in order of seniority and consisting three times the number of vacancies referred to in sub-rule (1).

Provided that, such restriction shall not apply in respect to post where the total number of eligible persons is less than three times the number of vacancies and in such a case the Committee shall consider all the eligible persons.

- (ii) The Character Rolls and Service Records of such members.
- (iii) Any other document and information as may be considered necessary by the Appointing Authority or required by the Committee.
- (2) The Committee after examining the Character Rolls, Service Records and other documents in respect of all such persons, shall prepare a list based on seniority with due regard to merit and suitability. The number of persons to be included in the list shall be according to the actual number of vacancies available at the particular grade. The list shall be forwarded by the Committee to the Appointing Authority.
- (3) The names of persons in the list shall be placed in order of preference for promotion. In every case where a junior member is selected in preference to his seniors, the Committee shall record in writing the reasons for doing so.
- (4) For the purpose of appointment by promotion under sub-rules (1), (2) and (3) of Rule 7, the Appointing Authority shall consider the list prepared by the Committee along with the Character Rolls and Service Records and other documents in respect of each person in the list and unless he

considers that any change is necessary, approve the list. If the Appointing Authority considers it necessary to make any change in the list received from the Committee, he shall inform the Committee of the changes proposed and after taking into account the comments if any, of the Committee, approve the said list finally with or without modification as may in his opinion to be just and proper.

- (5) The List as approved under sub-rule (4) of Rule 9 shall form the select list for the purpose of appointment by promotion under sub-rule (1), (2) and (3) of Rule 7.
10. **Consultation with the Board/Commission:-** (1) The Appointing Authority shall forward the list prepared under Rule 9 to the Board/Commission along with the Character Rolls, Service Records and other relevant documents in respect of each person in the list together with his comments, if any.
- (2) The Board/Commission shall consider the list and documents referred to in sub-rule (1) and such other documents as it may have called for and unless it considers that any change is necessary, approve the list.
- (3) If the Board/Commission considers it necessary to make any change in the list received from the Appointing Authority, it shall inform him of the change(s) proposed and after taking into account the comments, if any, of the Appointing Authority, approved the said list finally with or without modifications as may in its opinion to be just and proper.
- (4) The lists as approved by the Board/Commission either under sub-rule (2) or sub-rule (3) shall form the Select List for the purpose of appointment by promotion under sub-rule (1), (2) and (3) of Rule 7.
11. **Validity of the Select List:-** (I) The Select List shall remain in force for a period of one year unless its validity is extended with approval of the Board.
- Provided that, such an extension shall not be for a total period exceeding six months:
- Provided further that, in the event of any great lapse in the conduct or performance of duties on the part of any person in the Select List, the Appointing Authority may, if he thinks fit, remove the name of such person from the Select List. The reason(s) for doing so shall be recorded in writing.
2. The Committee shall meet once a year to review the Select List.
12. **Direct Recruitment:-** (1) Competitive Examination for direct recruitment under sub-rule (4) of Rule 7 shall be held at such intervals as the Appointing Authority may, in consultation with the Board/Commission from time to time determined. The date on which and the place in which the examination shall be held, shall be fixed by the Board/Commission.
- (2) The examination shall be conducted by the Board/Commission in accordance with such syllabus as the Appointing Authority may from time to time make in consultation with the Board/Commission.
- (3) Of the number of vacancies to be filled up on the result of each examination, there shall be reservation in favour of candidates belonging to Schedule Castes and Schedule Tribes to the extent and subject to the conditions as the Government may from time to time prescribed.
- (4) On the basis of the results of the Competitive Examination the Board/Commission shall prepare a list of all successful candidates in order of merit, which shall be determined in accordance with the aggregate marks obtained by such candidate and if two or more candidates obtain equal marks,

the Board/Commission shall arrange them in order of their relative merit which shall be determined in accordance with the general suitability of the candidates for appointment to the post. The number of persons to be included in the list shall be as according to the actual vacancies likely to occur during the recruitment year. The list shall be forwarded to the Appointing Authority.

- (5) The inclusion of a candidate's name in the list confer no right to appointment unless the Appointing Authority is satisfied after such enquiry as may be considered necessary that the candidate is suitable in all respects for appointment to the post and that appointment to any post in the service is subject to availability of vacancy.

13. **Condition of eligibility for appearing at the Competitive Examination:-** In order to be eligible to compete at the examination for direct recruitment, a candidate must satisfy the following conditions namely:-

- (1) Nationality - He must be a citizen of India.
- (2) Age - He must have attained the age of 18 years and must not have exceeded the age of 32 years on the first day of the year in which the advertisement for the post is made:

Provided that, in case of candidates belonging to Schedule Castes and Schedule Tribe, the upper age limit will be subject to any relaxation made by the Government from time to time.

- (3) Educational Qualification - As laid down in the Schedule-III.

14. **Disqualification for appointment to the Service:-** (1) No person shall be appointed who after such medical examination as the Government may prescribe, is not found to be in good mental or bodily health and free from any physical defect or infirmity which may render him unfit in the discharge of his duties.

- (2) No person shall be appointed to the service who had been convicted for any offence involving moral turpitude.
- (3) No person who has more than one spouse living shall be eligible for appointment to any post in the Service:

Provided that, the Governor may, if he is satisfied that there are special ground for doing so, exempt any person from the operation of this sub-rule.

- (4) No person who attempts to enlist support for his candidature either directly or indirectly by any recommendation either written or oral or by any means, shall be appointed to the Service.

15. **Appointment to the Service:-** (1) Appointment to any post in the Service under Rule 7 shall be made by the Appointing Authority and shall be published in the Meghalaya Gazette.

- (2) (i) Subject to the provisions of sub-rule (3) & (5) of Rule 12, appointment shall be made from time to time in the order in which the names of candidates appears in the Merit List prepared under Sub-rule (4) of Rule 12.

- (ii) A person appointed by direct recruitment shall join within 15 days from the date of receipt of the order of appointment, failing which, and unless the Appointing Authority extends the period of joining, which shall not in any case exceed three months, the appointment shall be cancelled.

- (3) Appointment under sub-rule (1), (2) and (3) of Rule 7 shall be made in order in which the names of candidates appear in the Select List approved by the Board/Commission under sub-rule (4) of Rule 10.
16. **Probation:-** Every person appointed to the Service under Sub- rule (4) of Rule 7 shall be on probation for a period of 2 (two) years:
- Provided that, the period of probation may for good and sufficient reasons be extended by the Appointing Authority in any individual case by a period not exceeding 2 (two) years.
- Provided further that, where a person appointed to the post in the Service could not be placed under probation for want of permanent vacancy, any period which he has rendered in a temporary capacity, may having regard to his performance be counted towards the period of probation.
17. **Discharge or Reversion:-** (1) Where the Appointing Authority finds that the performance of duty by any member of the Service, appointed by promotion, is unsatisfactory or where he is found unfit to hold the post at any time , such member shall be liable to be reverted to his next lower post or grade.
- (2) A member of the service appointed by direct recruitment shall be liable to be discharged if-
- (a) he fails to give satisfactory performance during the period of his appointment in his cadre.
- (b) on any information received relating to his nationality, age, health, character and antecedents the Appointing Authority is satisfied that the person is ineligible or otherwise unfit for being a member of the Service.
18. **Seniority:-** (1) The inter-se seniority of the members of the Service in any cadre appointed on or before the commencement of these rules, shall be in order in which their names appeared in the respective lists prepared by the Board/Commission or the Select List approved by the Board/Commission.
- (2) The inter-se seniority of the members of the Service appointed to different cadres after the commencement of these rules shall be in the order in which their names appear in the Merit List prepared under sub-rule (4) of Rule 12 or in the Select List approved under sub-rule (4) of Rule 10:
- Provided that, in any cadre, a member of the Service appointed by promotion/selection shall be senior to a member appointed by direct recruitment, where such selection fall in the same year.
- (3) If confirmation of any member of the Service is delayed on account of his failure to qualify for such confirmation, he shall lose his seniority *vis-a-vis* such of his junior in his cadre as may be confirmed earlier than him.
19. **Confirmation:-** (1) Confirmation of a member of the Service in the cadre appointed by promotion shall be made according to his seniority in that cadre subject to the following conditions :-
- (a) that he has served not less than one year in the post where he is to be confirmed.
- (b) that the performance of the employee is satisfactory (to be judged on the basis of Annual Confidential Reports and other relevant records).
- (c) that there is no departmental proceeding/vigilance enquiry against him, and
- (d) subject to availability of vacancy and that no Officer holds a lien on it.
- (2) Confirmation of a probationer shall be made according to his seniority in that cadre subject to the following conditions:-

- (a) that he has completed the period of probation to the satisfaction of the Appointing Authority;
  - (b) that he is considered otherwise fit by the Appointing Authority; and
  - (c) subject to availability of vacancy.
20. **Gradation List:-** There shall be prepared and published annually an up-to-date Gradation List as on 1<sup>st</sup> January consisting of the names of all members of the Service, cadre-wise and drawn up in order of seniority and other particulars relating to the date of birth and appointment to the Service and such other details relevant to the Service Career, shall be also indicated against each name.
21. **Increment:-** The first increment admissible to a member of the Service shall accrue after 6 (six) months either on 1st January or 1st July of the year from the date of joining but subsequent increment shall be allowed after l(one) year or as per existing Government Orders/Rules.
22. **Power of the Governor to dispense with or relax any Rules:-** The Governor, if satisfied that the operation of any of the provisions of these Rules causes un due hardship in any particular case or cases or results in any particular post or posts being left unfilled for want of person(s) possessing the minimum experience as specified by these Rules for promotion to such post(s), may dispense with or relax the requirement of any of these Rules to such extent and subject to such condition, as it may consider necessary for dealing with the case in a just and equitable manner, or, for meeting the exigencies of public interest.
23. **Interpretation:-** If any question arises relating to the interpretation of these rules, the decision of the Government in the Health Department with the approval of Personnel & A.R. Department shall be final.
24. **Repeal and saving:-** All rules, orders or notification corresponding to and in force immediately before the commencement of these rules, hereby stands repealed:
- Provided that all orders made or action taken under the rules, order or notification so repealed or any action taken in pursuant thereto shall be deemed to have been validly made or taken under the corresponding provisions of these Rules.

**SAMPATH KUMAR,**

Principal Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya,  
Health & Family Welfare Department.

**SCHEDULE -I**  
(see Rule – 6 (2) )

| Sl. No. | Name of the Post                      | Pay Matrix Level               | Strength of Service/ Number of Post |           |
|---------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------|
|         |                                       |                                | Permanent                           | Temporary |
| 1       | 2                                     | 3                              | 4                                   | 5         |
| 1       | Deputy Drugs Controller(Senior Grade) | Level-18<br>Rs. 62400- 123100  | x                                   | 1         |
| 2       | Assistant Drugs Controller (Grade I)  | Level-17<br>Rs. 55500 - 116200 | 1                                   | 1         |
| 3       | Senior Inspector of Drugs (Grade II)  | Level-16<br>Rs. 49000-109100   | 2                                   | x         |
| 4       | Inspector of Drugs (Grade III)        | Level-15<br>Rs. 45600- 101400  | 7                                   | 4         |
|         |                                       |                                |                                     | 11        |

**Total Strength = 16**

- One (1) Post of Assistant Drugs Controller is Upgraded to the post of Deputy Drugs Controller vide

Up gradation letter No. Health. 171/2021/81, dated 19<sup>th</sup> December 2022.

- Two (2) Post of Senior Drugs Inspector is Upgraded to the post of Assistant Drugs Controller, vide

Up gradation letter No. Health. 171/2021/81, dated 19<sup>th</sup> December 2022

- Two (2) Post of Inspector of Drugs is Upgraded to the post of Senior Inspector of Drugs, vide

Up gradation letter No. Health. 171/2021/81, dated 19<sup>th</sup> December 2022



**SCHEDULE -II**  
**(See Rule 7)**

| Sl. No | Post/ Designation                     | Method of Recruitment with percentage of vacancies to be filled up in any recruitment year by direct recruitment or Promotion | Direct Recruitment        |                 |                 | Promotion   |  | Remarks   |
|--------|---------------------------------------|---|---------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|---|--|---|
|        |                                       |   | Educational qualification | Lower Age limit | Upper Age Limit | Person eligible to be considered for promotion to the posts mentioned in column 2 | Qualification or Experience required   |   |
| 1      | 2                                     | 3   | 4                         | 5               | 6               | 7   | 8  | 9   |
| 1      | Senior Grade -Deputy Drugs Controller | By Promotion  | X                         | X               | X               | Grade I- Assistant Drugs Controller   | Not less than three (3) years of continuous service in the Grade I Or not less than fourteen (14) years of combined continuous service in Grade I, Grade II and Grade III. | One (1) Post of Assistant Drugs Controller is upgraded to the post of Deputy Drugs Controller vide Up gradation letter No. Health. 171/2021/81, dated 19 <sup>th</sup> December 2022. |
| 2      | Grade I - Assistant Drugs Controller. | By Promotion  | X                         | X               | X               | Grade II - Senior Inspector of Drugs.   | Not less than three (3) years of continuous service in the Grade II Or not less than eleven (11) years of combined continuous service in Grade II and Grade III            | Two (2) Post of Senior Drugs Inspector is upgraded to the post of Assistant Drugs Controller, vide Up gradation letter No. Health. 171/2021/81, dated 19 <sup>th</sup> December 2022  |

|   |   |   |                      |                                 |   |                                      |   |   |
|---|---|---|----------------------|---------------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|---|---|
| 3 | Grade II -<br>Senior<br>Inspector of<br>Drugs | By Promotion  | X                    | X                               | X   | Grade III -<br>Inspector of<br>Drugs | Not less than five (5)<br>years of continuous<br>service in Grade III<br>counted from the date of<br>joining in the post of<br>Grade III. | Two (2) Post of Inspector of<br>Drugs is upgraded to the post of<br>Senior Inspector of Drugs, vide<br>Up gradation letter No. Health.<br>171/2021/81, dated 19 <sup>th</sup> December<br>2022. |
| 4 | Inspector of<br>Drugs                         | 100% by direct<br>recruitment through<br>Meghalaya Medical<br>Service Recruitment Board<br>(MMSRB)/ Meghalaya<br>Public Service<br>Commission (MPSC). | See<br>Scheduled III | Not<br>less<br>than<br>21 years | Not more than 32 years.<br>However in case of ST/SC<br>candidate, the upper age<br>limit will be subjected to<br>relaxation made by the<br>Govt. from time to time. | X                                    | X   | X   |

**SCHEDULE - III****(See rule 7(4))**

Qualification of Inspector of Drugs, as per rule 49 of the Drugs and Cosmetics Rule 1945:

A person who is appointed an Inspector under the Act shall be a person who has a degree in Pharmacy or Pharmaceutical Sciences or Medicine with specialization in Clinical Pharmacology or Microbiology from a University established in India by law:

**Provided that,** only those Inspectors:-

- (i) Who have not less than 18 months' experience in the manufacture of at least one of the substances specified in Schedule C; or
- (ii) Who have not less than 18 month' experience in testing of at least one of the substances in Schedule C in a Laboratory approved for this purpose by the Licensing Authority; or
- (iii) Who have gained experience of not less than three years in the inspection of firms manufacturing any substances specified in Schedule C during the tenure of their services as Inspectors of Drugs:

shall be authorized to inspect the manufacture of the substances mentioned in Schedule C.

**Provided further that,** the requirement as to the academic qualification shall not apply to persons appointed as Inspectors on or before the 18<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1993.

The 13<sup>th</sup> December, 2024.

**No.PER(ARC)11/2023/26.** – In partial modification to this Department's Notification No.PER(ARC)11/2023/13, dated 9<sup>th</sup> August, 2024 which are as under:

| Sl. No. | Name of Service  | Number of working days for service delivery after receipt of application | Department/ Organization     | Designated Official  | Appellate Authority   |
|---------|--|--|------------------------------|--|---|
| 32.     | Mining Lease for Minor Minerals for Industrial & specific uses under Schedule II of MMMCR, 2016. | 6 months   | Mining & Geology Department. | Director of Mineral Resources for area greater than 5 ha. Divisional Mining Officer for an area upto 5 ha. | Principal Secretary/ Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya, Mining and Geology Department. |

have been amended as follows:-

| Sl. No. | Name of Service  | Number of working days for service delivery after receipt of application | Department/ Organization     | Designated Official  | Appellate Authority   |
|---------|--|--|------------------------------|--|---|
| 32.     | Mining Lease for Minor Minerals for Industrial & specific uses under Schedule II of MMMCR, 2016. | 90 days  | Mining & Geology Department. | Director of Mineral Resources for area greater than 5 ha. Divisional Mining Officer for an area upto 5 ha. | Principal Secretary/ Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya, Mining and Geology Department. |

**C. V. D. DIENGDOH,**

Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya,  
Personnel & Administrative Reforms (B) Department,  
(Administrative Reforms Cell).

The 26<sup>th</sup> November, 2024.

**No.HPL.203/2023/Pt./49.** - The Governor of Meghalaya is pleased to notify the logo below as the logo of the Meghalaya State Police Force. This logo, designed to reflect the values of integrity, service and commitment to the safety and well-being of our citizens, will serve as the official emblem of the Meghalaya State Police Force.



The logo is to be used on all official documents, uniforms, vehicles and communication materials related to the Meghalaya State Police Force. It shall be used exclusively by the Meghalaya State Police Force and its affiliated Departments. It is strictly prohibited for any other organization, entity, or individual to use, reproduce, or display this logo without prior written authorization from the Meghalaya State Police Department.

The Governor of Meghalaya hereby directs all concerned authorities to take necessary actions to enforce these restrictions and protect the integrity of the Meghalaya State Police Force logo. Violators of these regulations will be held accountable under the law.

**C. V. D. DIENGDOH,**  
Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya,  
Home (Police) Department.

The 16<sup>th</sup> December, 2024.

**No.POWER.89/2024/4.** - The Governor of Meghalaya is please to notify the change of name of the following shareholder of the Meghalaya Energy Corporation Limited, holding equity shares for and on behalf of the Governor of Meghalaya with immediate effect:-

| Sl. No. | Name of existing Shareholder/Transferor   | No. of shares | Distinctive Numbers | Name of Transferee  |
|---------|---|---------------|---------------------|---|
| 1.      | Shri P. Sahkhar, <i>ex</i> -Director (Distribution), MePDCL, holding shares for and on behalf of the Governor of Meghalaya. | 100           | 999901-1000000      | Shri AFG Momin, Director (Distribution Affairs), MePDCL, holding shares for and on behalf of the Governor of Meghalaya. |

**SANJAY GOYAL,**  
Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya,  
Power Department.

The 17<sup>th</sup> December, 2024.

**No.UAU.5/2017/123.** - In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 21 of the Street Vendors (Protection of Livelihood and Regulation of Street Vending) Act, 2014 (Central Act 7 of 2014), and subject to the provisions of this Act or any rule or scheme made thereunder, the Government of Meghalaya hereby notifies the Street Vending Plan for the city of Shillong.

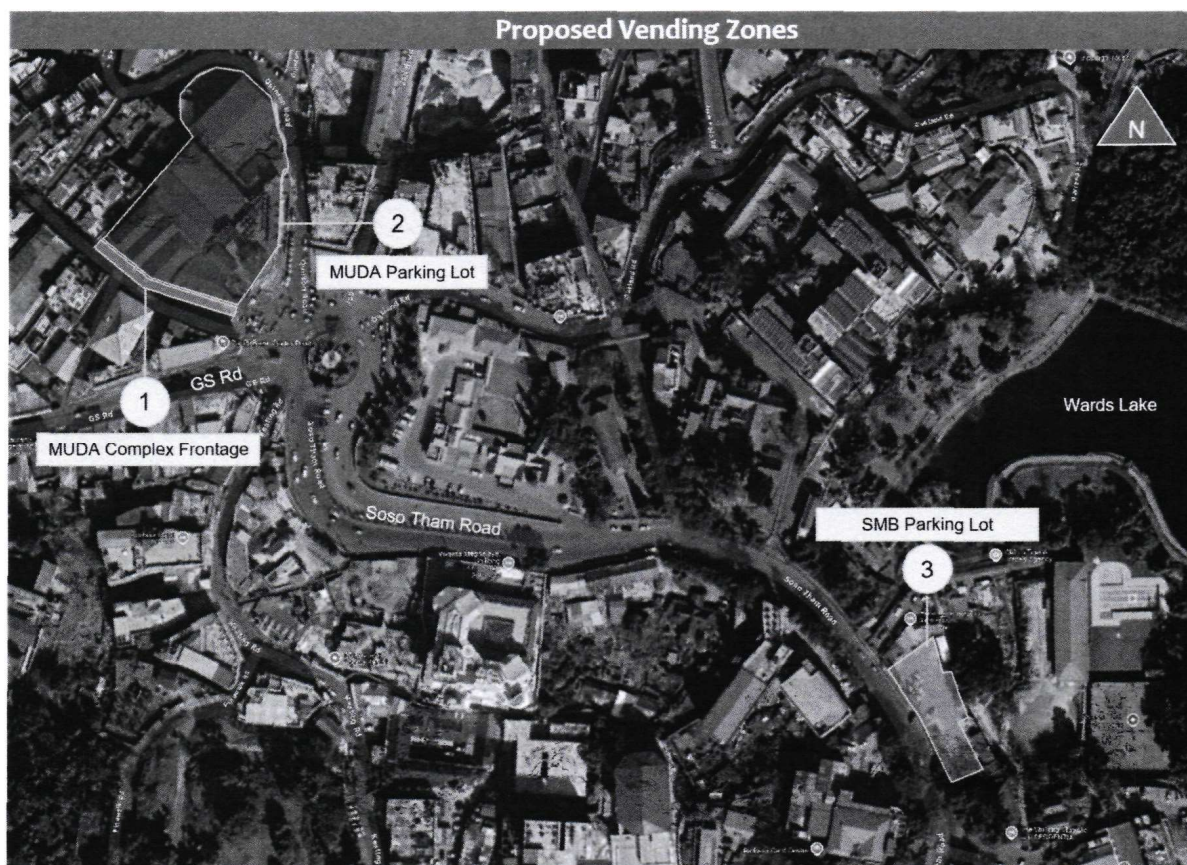
The Town Vending Committee (TVC) was formed under Section 22 of the Street Vendors (Protection of Livelihood and Regulation of Street Vending) Act, 2014. As per Section 3 of the Act, the TVC conducted a comprehensive survey of all existing street vendors in Shillong.

In reference to the Honorable High Court of Meghalaya's order dated 28<sup>th</sup> October, 2024 in PIL No. 17/2021, which directed the state government to demarcate areas where street vending can be allowed or otherwise, the Urban Affairs Department prepared the street vending plans for the city. The proposed vending plan was discussed and accepted in the Town Vending Committee meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> December, 2024, in consultation with the street vendor associations. The Street Vending Plan for Khyndailad is attached herewith.

The Government of Meghalaya, in compliance with the Honorable High Court order referred above, hereby notifies the Street Vending Plan for the city of Shillong, as prepared and accepted by the Town Vending Committee. This notification is issued for the information and compliance of all concerned.

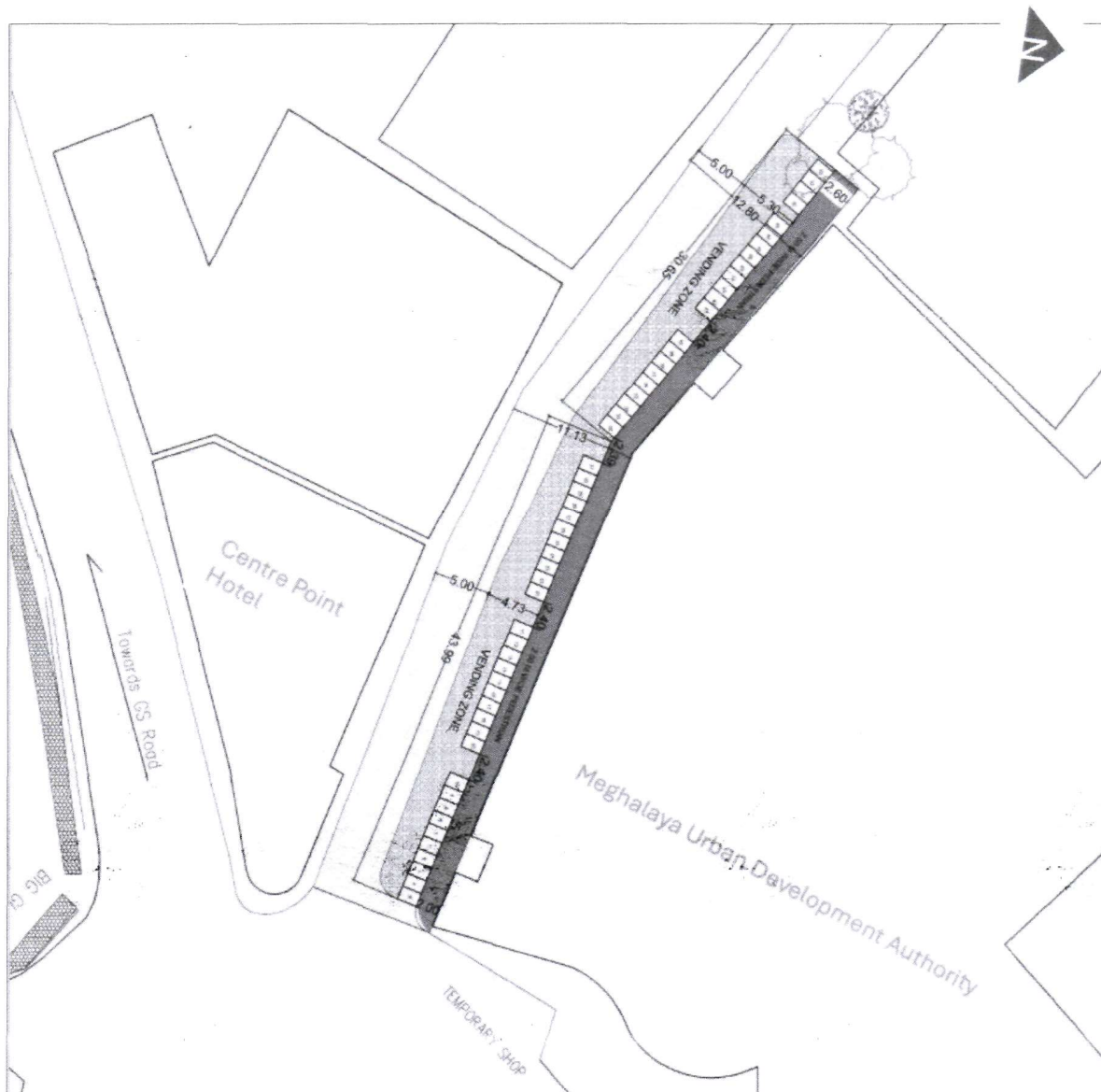
**VIJAY KUMAR D.,**  
Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya,  
Urban Affairs Department.

## ANNEXURE 1 – STREET VENDING PLAN – KHYNDAILAD



| # | Vending Zones                 | No. of Stalls |
|---|-------------------------------|---------------|
| 1 | Zone-1: MUDA Complex Frontage | 56            |
| 2 | Zone-2: MUDA Parking Lot      | 230           |
| 3 | Zone-3 : SMB Parking Lot      | 66            |



**Proposed Street Vending Layout for Zone-1 MUDA Complex Frontage:**

**Type of Trade:** Food Items

**No. of Stalls:** 56 nos

**Space For Vending:** -

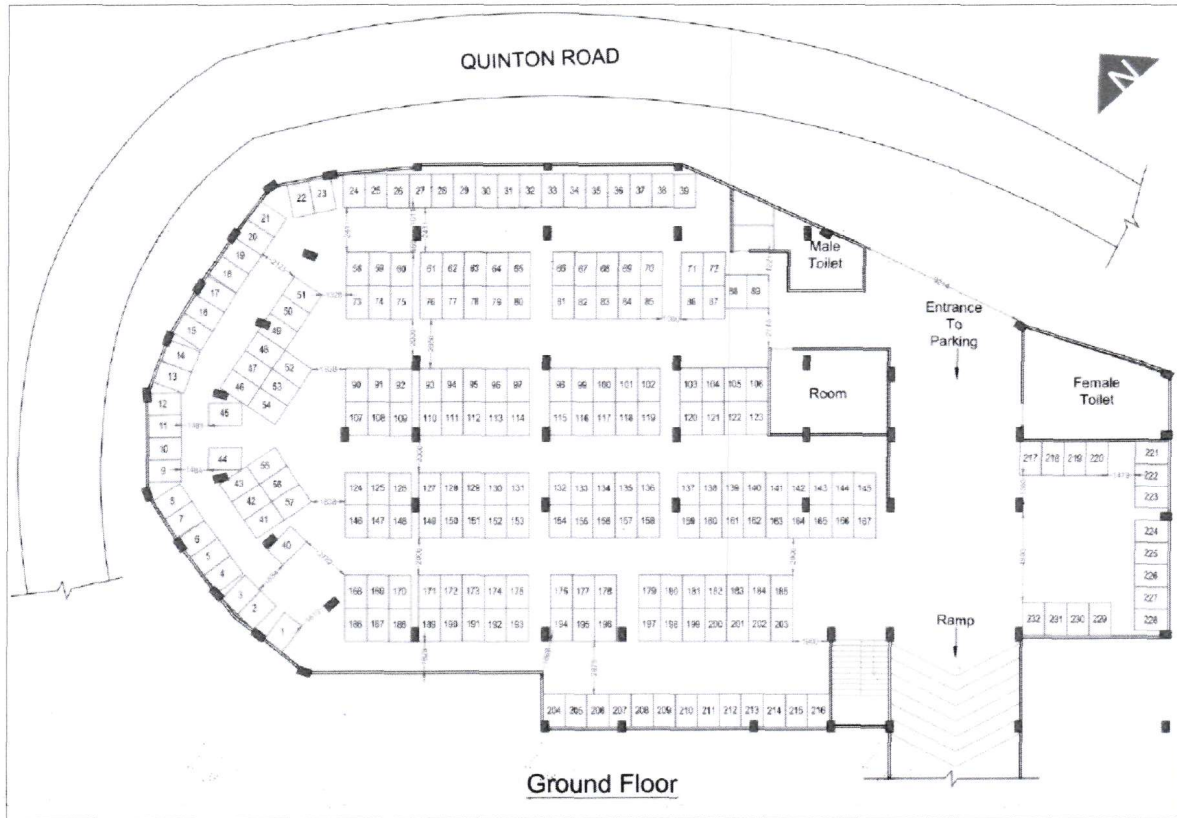
Width = 4.20 to 4.80 m

Length= 75.00 m stretch

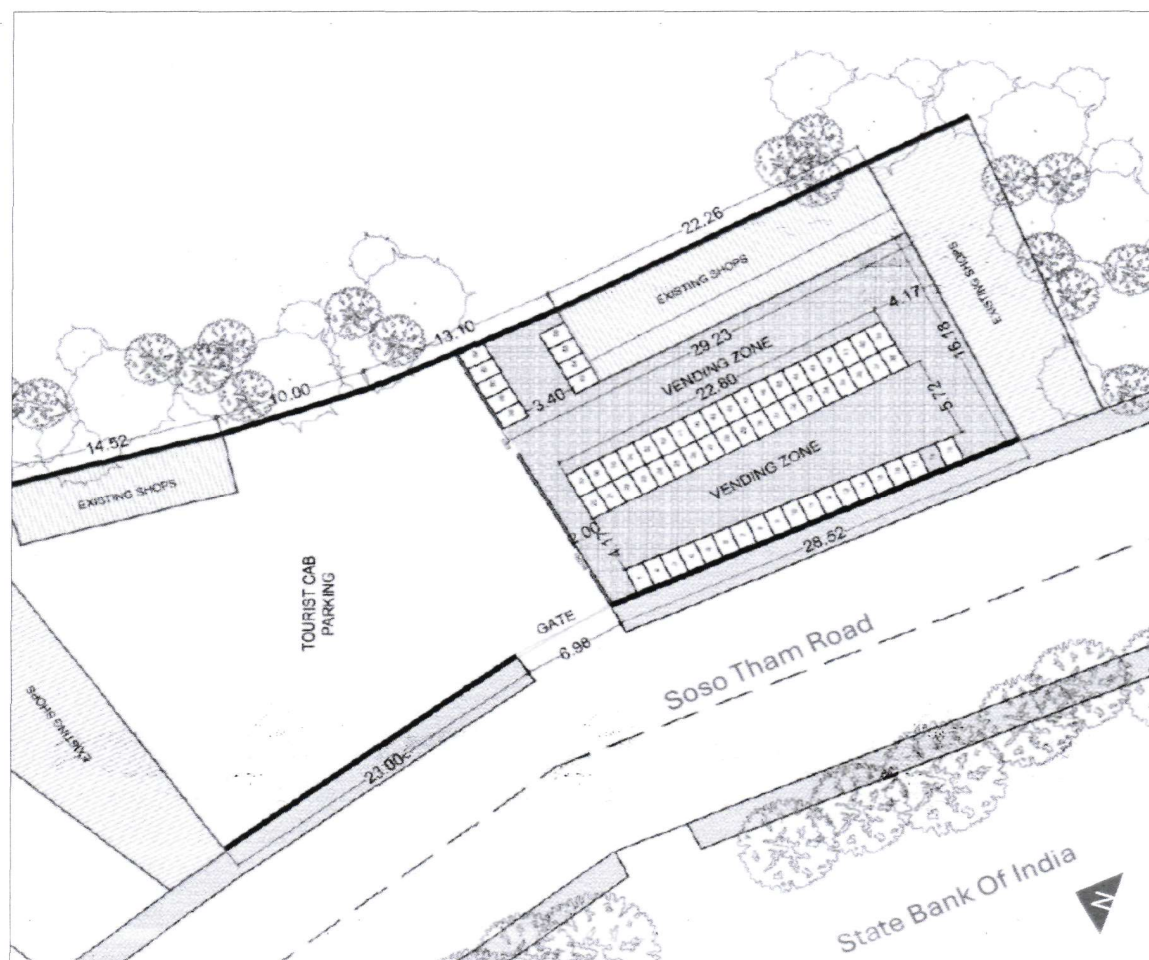
**Size of Each Shop:** 1.2 x 1.8 (m)

**Facilities:** -

- Toilet available in the MUDA Complex
- Dustbin to be provided
- Waiting area for public

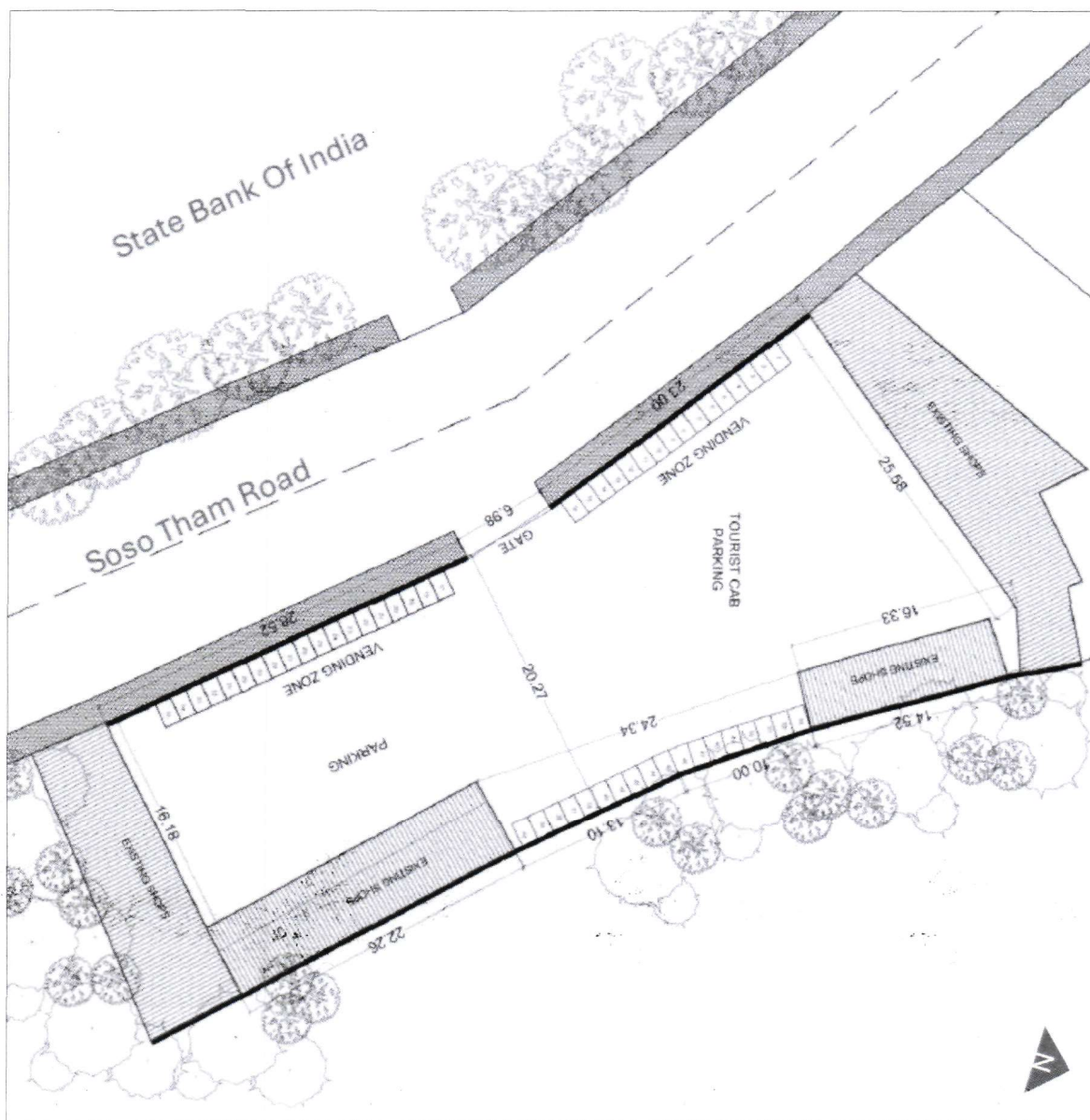
**Proposed Street Vending Layout for Zone-2 MUDA Parking Lot:**

1. **Size of Each Shop:** 1.2 x 1.8 (m)
2. **No. of stalls:** 230 nos
3. **Type of Trade:**
  - i. Non-perishable
4. **Facilities available:**
  - i. Additional toilet facility to be provided
  - ii. Dustbins to be provided

**Proposed Street Vending Layout for Zone-3 (Option-A) SMB Parking Lot (Opp. SBI):**

1. **Size of Each Shop:** 1.2 x 1.8 (m)
2. **No. of stalls:** 66 nos
3. **Type of Trade:**
  - i. Non-perishable
4. **Facilities available:**
  - i. Toilet available
  - ii. Dustbins to be provided

**Proposed Street Vending Layout for Zone-3 (Option-B) SMB Parking Lot (Opp. SBI):**



1. **Size of Each Shop:** 1.2 x 1.8 (m)
2. **Holding Capacity:** 53 nos
3. **Type of Trade:**
  - i. Non-perishable
4. **Facilities available:**
  - i. Toilet available
  - ii. Dustbins to be provided

The 20<sup>th</sup> December, 2024.

**No.FOR.149/2014/Pt.IV/143.** - Consequent upon the instructions contained *vide* letter No.1163.NFA-2024/70.21/2023-2025/Course/Posting of IFS (P), dated 25<sup>th</sup> October, 2024 issued by the Director, IGNFA, Dehradun, Shri Anil Patil, IFS, (Probationer) 2023 Batch shall undergo "On the Job Training" as per the following programme:-

| Sl. No. | Field Orientation Component  | Duration<br>(Working Days) | Tentative Dates |
|---------|--|----------------------------|-----------------|
| 1.      | 2.   | 3                          | 4               |
| 1.      | To submit joining report and to meet senior officials of all Departments (Forest & Environment Department, Planning & Finance Department etc.) in the Meghalaya (Civil) Secretariat and officials in the office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forest & HoFF., Meghalaya, Shillong. | 2                          | Day 1 & 2       |
| 2.      | <b>Forest Headquarters' Attachment:</b><br><b>The following Wings in the O/o PCCF &amp; HoFF.</b><br>a) Administration and Planning Wing<br>b) Research & Training Wing<br>c) Territorial Wing<br>d) F(C) Act Cell<br>e) Wildlife Wing<br>f) Social Forestry & Environment                 | 3                          | Day 3 to 5      |
| 3.      | Attachment with the Meghalaya Administrative Training Institute  | 3                          | Day 6 to 8      |
| 4.      | Attachment with the Divisional Forest Officer Social Forestry Division, East Khasi Hills, Shillong.  | 4                          | Day 9 to 12     |
| 5.      | Attachment with the Divisional Forest Officer, Khasi Hills Wildlife Division, Shillong.  | 3                          | Day 13 to 15    |
| 6.      | Attachment with the Chief Conservator of Forest, Social Forestry, Shillong.  | 1                          | Day 16          |
| 7.      | Attachment with the Chief Conservator of Forest Wildlife Shillong.   | 2                          | Day 17 to 18    |
| 8.      | Attachment with the Chief Conservator of Forest, Territorial, Shillong.  | 2                          | Day 19 to 20    |
| 9.      | Attachment with the Deputy Commissioner, East Khasi Hills, Shillong.   | 5                          | Day 21 to 25    |
| 10.     | Attachment with the Superintendent of Police, East Khasi Hills, Shillong.  | 5                          | Day 26 to 30    |
| 11.     | Attachment with the Divisional Forest Officer, East Khasi Hills & Ri-Bhoi, Territorial Division, Shillong.   | 5                          | Day 31 to 35    |

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| 12. | <b>Range Attachment:</b><br>Range/Training as Range Officer in-charge Nongpoh<br>Range with Headquarter at Nongpoh | 8 Weeks | Day 36 to 91 |
| 13. | <b>Forest Headquarters' Attachment in the office of the PCCF &amp; HoFF., Meghalaya, Shillong.</b>                 | 5       | Day 92 to 96 |

The Divisional Forest Officer, Training Division, Shillong to monitor the programme and accompany the officer on visit to Secretariat and supervise attachments in office of the PCCF & HoFF., Shillong.

**PRAVIN BAKSHI,**  
Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya,  
Forest & Environment Department.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> January, 2025.

**Subject:- Diversion of 116.589 ha. of forest land for limestone mining and other ancillary activities in favour of M/s Lafarge Uiam Mining Pvt. Ltd. (LUMPL) in Sohra Tehsil, Khasi Hills Division of Meghalaya.**

**No.FOR.72/2007/Pt-I/Vol-II/2284.** - WHEREAS, Government of India, Ministry of Environment & Forests (F.C. Division), New Delhi-110003 in their letter F.No.8-64/2007-FC, dated 22<sup>nd</sup> April, 2010 have communicated the In-principle/Stage-I approval order in favour of M/s Lafarge Uiam Mining Pvt. Ltd. (LUMPL) for diversion of 116.589 Ha. of forest land for limestone mining and other ancillary activities in Sohra Tehsil, Khasi Hills Division of Meghalaya subject to fulfillment of conditions stipulated in the said approval.

And whereas, in consideration of the compliance of the conditions stipulated in the In-principle Approval, the Integrated Regional Office, MoEF & CC, Shillong in their letter F.No.8-64/2007-FC, dated 29<sup>th</sup> February, 2012 have accorded final approval for diversion of 116.589 Ha. of forest land for limestone mining and other ancillary activities in Sohra Tehsil, Khasi Hills Division of Meghalaya in favour of M/s Lafarge Uiam Mining Pvt. Ltd. (LUMPL) subject to fulfillment of the conditions which are listed there-in.

Further whereas, considering the State Government request *vide* letter No.FOR.72/2007/Pt.I/Vol-II/2165, dated 13<sup>th</sup> May, 2021 to change the condition of the approval for raising Compensatory Afforestation over non-forest land instead of degraded forest land and based on the recommendation of the Government of India, Ministry of Environment and Forests (F.C. Division), New Delhi, the Advisory Committee has approved to change the condition No. 2 of the Stage-II approval dated 29<sup>th</sup> February, 2012 for the diversion of 116.589 Ha. of forest land in favour of M/s Lafarge Uiam Mining Pvt. Ltd. (LUMPL) *vide* letter No.8-64/ 2007 FC, dated 21<sup>st</sup> December, 2023, has modified as:-

Compensatory Afforestation shall be raised and maintained over 116.589 Ha. non-forest land provided by the user agency to the State. Cost of Afforestation on this land will be deposited by user agency as per current



rates of afforestation in State of Meghalaya. This will be adjusted against the money already deposited by user agency for compensatory afforestation if any. Moreover, if any excess amount is found to have been paid by user agency for compensatory afforestation that will not be refunded and will be used by Meghalaya Forest Department for plantation in any degraded forest land.

Now therefore, as per the Hon'ble NGT Order dated 24<sup>th</sup> January, 2014 in the case of O.A. No. 123 of 2013, Government of Meghalaya do hereby permit for diversion of 116.589 Ha. of forest land in favour of M/s Lafarge Umiam Mining Pvt. Ltd. (LUMPL) for limestone mining and other ancillary activities in Sohra Tehsil, Khasi Hills Division, Meghalaya.

The transfer of land measuring 116.589 Ha. at Nongumiang village, West Khasi Hills District Nongstoin from Shri Sainen Nongrum to M/s Lafarge Umiam Mining Pvt. Ltd. (LUMPL) represented by Shri George Chacko, Director Corporate Affairs for Compensatory Afforestation in *lieu* of diversion of forest land for limestone mining was allowed by the Revenue and Disaster Management Department, Meghalaya, Shillong *vide* letter No.RDS. 34/2023/56, dated 23<sup>rd</sup> July, 2024 and handed over to Forest & Environment Department on 1<sup>st</sup> August, 2024.

The Divisional Forest Officer, East Khasi Hills & Ri-Bhoi (T) Division, Shillong and the Divisional Forest Officer, West and South-West Khasi Hills (SF & T) Division, Nongstoin are directed to monitor compliance of the conditions stipulated for such diversion in the respective forest/wildlife clearance order and to report violations, if any, to the Nodal Officer, FC Act, the PCCF & HoFF, Meghalaya and to the Forest & Environment Department.

Execution of project activities will be subject to having valid mining lease and availability of all other clearances required under relevant Act/Rules for this mining project, deposit of requisite fees and compliance with Court order if any.

The User Agency shall comply with the following conditions for the purpose of instant diversion of forest land:

- (i) The legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged.
- (ii) Compensatory afforestation shall be raised and maintain by the State Forest Department over 116.589 Ha. In single patch equivalent non-forest land located to Nongumiang in West Khasi Hills District adjacent to Nongumiang Reserved Forest as per the fund deposited by the User Agency and scheme furnished by the State Government. As far as possible, a mixture of local indigenous species shall be planted and monoculture of any species shall be avoided.
- (iii) The boundary of the divers forest land, shall be demarcated on ground at the project cost, by erecting four feet high reinforced cement concrete pillars, each inscribed with its serial number, distance from pillar to pillar and GPS coordinates before handing over the forest land to the User Agency.
- (iv) The approval under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 is subject to the clearance under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 if required.
- (v) The forest land shall not be of used for any purpose other than that specified in the proposal.

- (vi) The forest proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of Central Government.
- (vii) The mining lease period under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 shall be coterminous with the current lease granted under Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulating) Act, 1957 or Rules framed thereunder or any other Act or for 20 years, whichever is earlier.
- (viii) Reclamation plan shall be implemented as per the Mining Plan approved by the Indian Bureau of Mines. The progress of the implementation of the Reclamation Plan shall be monitored regularly by the State Forest Department and the MoEF & CC, Integrated Regional Office, Shillong.
- (ix) Demarcation of mining lease area shall be done on the ground at project cost using four feet high reinforced cement concrete pillars with serial numbers, forward and back bearings and distance from pillar to pillar at every 20 meters.
- (x) The User Agency shall maintain a strip of at least 100 meters of forest area on the boundary of mining area as a green belt.
- (xi) Top soil shall be protected at the project cost.
- (xii) Other standard condition as applicable to proposals related to mining shall be applicable in this instant case.
- (xiii) The User Agency shall take all possible precautions and care all the time not to impact adversely to surrounding forest and forest land by their actions/activities.
- (xiv) Tree felling shall be done only when absolutely unavoidable and such removal, if any, shall be done under the supervision of the Forest Department.
- (xv) The layout plan shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government.
- (xvi) The User Agency shall be responsible for any loss to the flora and fauna in the surrounding. Any damage done in this regard shall be compensated by the User Agency from the project cost as per assessment of the concerned Divisional Forest Officer.
- (xvii) The proposal will be implemented under the overall supervision of the concerned Divisional Forest Officer.
- (xviii) No labour camp shall be established on forest land. In order to avoid pressure on neighbouring forests, the User Agency should arrange for fuel preferably alternate fuel to the labourers working at site.
- (xix) Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken as prescribed in para 1.21 of Chapter 1 of the Handbook of Comprehensive Guidelines of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 as issued by this Ministry's letter No. 5-2/ 2017-FC, dated 28<sup>th</sup> March, 2019.



- (xx) The User Agency shall comply with all the provisions of the Acts, Rules, Regulations, Guidelines, Hon'ble Court Order(s) and NGT Order(s) pertaining to this project, if any, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project.
- (xxi) All other clearance/NOCs under applicable Rules/Regulations/Local Laws and Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 as required *vide* MoEF & CC, New Delhi Guideline No.11-9/1998-FC (Pt), dated 3<sup>rd</sup> August, 2009 shall be complied with.
- (xxii) The User Agency shall submit an annual self-monitoring report indication status of the implementation of the conditions stipulated in the approval accorded for diversion of said forest land to the State Government and the MoEF & CC, Regional Office, Shillong.
- (xxiii) This approval may be revoked if the above conditions of approval are not complied to the satisfaction of the MoEF & CC, Regional Office, Shillong and the State Forest & Environment Department.
- (xxiv) Any other condition that the MoEF & CC, Regional Office, Shillong and the State Government may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forest and wildlife.

Commissioner & Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya,  
Forest & Environment Department.